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Waiver Structure Work Group Meeting
Tuesday, 06/28/22 from 10:00AM – 12:00PM
Held via: Zoom Webinar

Attendance: Jessica Gorton BDS Facilitator; Laurie Vachon; Krista Gilbert; Deborah Opramolla; Jennifer Pineo; Shannon Kelly; Michelle Donovan; Renee Fisher; Tim Leach; Lenore Sciuto; Deborah DeScenza Maureen DiTomaso BDS; Abby Conger BDS; Drew Smith A&M; Alecia Ortiz A&M; Gracie Joo A&M; Stacey Rosenzweig A&M; Denise Gracia (CART)

Note: Members of the public who joined as attendees in listen-only mode are not included in this list.

Please reference the corresponding slide presentation for the detailed agenda, including topics and themes covered in the meeting and corresponding takeaways and applicable action items.

Major Topics and Themes	Key Discussion Areas
Housekeeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Krista Gilbert and Deb Opramolla from Direct Support Professional (DSP) Subcommittee will send draft report to Waiver Work Group Members for feedback to be sent via email with BDSWaiverStructureWorkgroup@dhhs.nh.gov copied.
Direct Support Professional (DSP) Subcommittee Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Subcommittee presented recommendations for establishing minimum orientation and training requirements.Training and education recommendations combine synchronous online learning with asynchronous hands-on learning to evaluate mastery of skills.The Subcommittee recommends NH develop more specialty certifications.The Subcommittee recommends establishing independent governing body to carry out DSP credentialing processes.The Subcommittee made specific recommendations for individuals receiving services through Participant Self Directed Model.The Subcommittee discussed recommendations for DSP retention and increasing DSP benefits and incentives.These recommendations will be shared with the Rate Structure Work Group.

Day Services Definition Drafting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Group discussed Service Definition for Community-Based Day Supports (CDS) and decided to hold on review of this definition and consider incorporating feedback within Community Participation Services (CPS) and/or Employment definitions. • The Group discussed Service Definition for Individual Supported Employment (ISE) and agreed to reword the full definition to ensure that the language is not ableist in verbiage and ensure no overlap with vocational rehabilitation for pre-vocational/vocational services. • The Group will continue discussing whether to keep pre-employment within SEP or create a separate Service Definition around specific supports within this and similar definitions.
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Please refer to the corresponding work group PPT for details on assignments (if any) and next steps.</i>

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